JIM ROHN | PERSONAL GROWTH

A True Sower of Seeds

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Jim Rohn... an absolute Icon in the Personal Growth Industry. Just hearing the name makes me think of one of my favorite books that I've read since I joined the Network Marketing Industry back in March of 2004. The book I'm talking about is, **The Seasons of Life**. I've read that book a handful of times and it's especially great to re-read anytime you're going through a "funk" in your business or even your life, for that matter. For those of you who haven't read it yet, I highly recommend getting your hands on a copy of this book to add to your collection! This book has had bigger impact on my life more than any other book, except one... the Bible. Every time I read it I get something new out of it, like most books, but being that it's a short read... it's much easier to absorb the information.

Jim Rohn is one of the most influential thinkers of our time. With numerous books, audios, etc, he has impacted lives all over the world. One of my mentors, Robert Fason, talks about him all the time. One of Jim's audio CD's, **Building Your Network Marketing Business**, has been very instrumental in my development over the past almost 6 years in this amazing industry.

Jim's philosophy, great insight and inspirational messages have made him a popular speaker, writer and counselor. His seminars have spanned over 39 years, and he has addressed over 6,000 audiences and 4 million people worldwide.

He always approaches the subjects of personal and business success by asking four

questions: Why?, Why not?, Why not you?, and Why not now?

He answers these questions and reveals practical secrets for productivity. Jim's anecdotes and witty style fascinate listeners, igniting their enthusiasm and "can-do" spirit.

Jim Rohn has been the mentor to the mentors. A wide variety of experts have learned from him, including Les Brown and Tony Robbins, who specifically credits Jim for the positive impact in his life when he was first forming the philosophies that guide him today. Darren Hardy, *Success Magazine* Publisher and Editorial Director also credits Jim Rohn for much of his success and mentions him regularly as one of his mentors as well. Darren has a mentor package on his website www.success.com/store that includes 3 of Jim Rohn's audio programs, **Challenge to Succeed**, **The Are of Exceptional Living**, and **Take Charge of Your Life**, along with Darren's new book, **Design Your Best Year Ever**, which the book states is "A Proven Formula for Achieving Big Goals."

Jim's philosophy for successful living demonstrates a deep understanding of the world. His simple, yet insightful messages have touched millions of people, and continue to offer inspiration to generations.

A Few of Jim Rohn's Great Quotes:

"If you keep doing what you've always done, you'll keep getting what you've always gotten."

"Formal education will make you a living; self-education will make you a fortune."

"Success is not to be pursued; it is to be attracted by the person you become."

"Disgust and resolve are two of the great emotions that lead to change."

"Don't wish it was easier; wish you were better. Don't wish for less problems; wish for more skills. Don't wish for less challenges; wish for more wisdom."

"Let others lead small lives, but not you. Let others argue over small things, but not you. Let others cry over small hurts, but not you. Let others leave their future in someone else's hands, but not you."

An excerpt from Jim's book, **The Seasons of Life**, pretty much says it all:

Do not walk in front of me,
I may not follow.

Do not walk behind me,
I may not lead.

But walk beside me,
And be my friend.

Jim Rohn, one of the best in the Personal Development business...his legacy will live on through all of us that have experienced his amazing work.

He truly had a very unique gift and one of my favorite quotes or excerpts I've ever heard from him is this one sentence:

> ***"Fortune, happiness, and peace of mind await those who learn to look for the miraculous hidden among the common."***

Jim, I'm going to miss you, but will always refer to your great book, **The Seasons of Life**, in everything I do for the rest of my life.

Chad Bumgarner was born and raised on his family's farm in Nebraska. He currently lives just outside a small town called, Strang, with a population of "23" people.

Chad's education began @ a small school in, Strang, where he remained through the 3rd Grade. He

then finished out his elementary school years in Geneva, Nebraska, and graduated from Geneva High School in 1996.

Chad attended "4" different colleges around Nebraska, over the course of about 5-6 years. Over those years, Chad worked in the Sports Department @ a local CBS affiliate. He was a DJ on a small college radio station, and he worked @ HuskerVision for the University of Nebraska for a couple months. His dream was to work @ ESPN on the "College Football Gameday" crew. He felt he was on his way there, and for whatever reason, felt called to be back home. After a period of working back on the family farm, he thought he'd made the biggest mistake of his life, leaving his dream of working @ ESPN, behind. Well, like many have said...when the good Lord closes one door, another one opens. That's what happened to Chad, back in March of 2004.

By simply over-hearing some friends talking one night, he was introduced to Network Marketing for the first time! The statement, "You Can't Say the Wrong Thing to the Right Person" certainly pertained to him. The rest, they say, is history, or what Chad likes to call it...a Dream in progress!

What Chad loves, more than anything, about Network Marketing, is the ability to help many people achieve their Dreams and Goals!

An aspiring author, Chad has plans to write his first book, over the next couple years and share his excitement about this industry with as many people as he can!

Taking his Network Marketing business to the very top level, and finding the "woman of his dreams" to share his life with, are among some of his current plans, over the next 1-2 years! Stay tuned!